

# BookletChart™

## Shakan Bay and Strait

NOAA Chart 17379

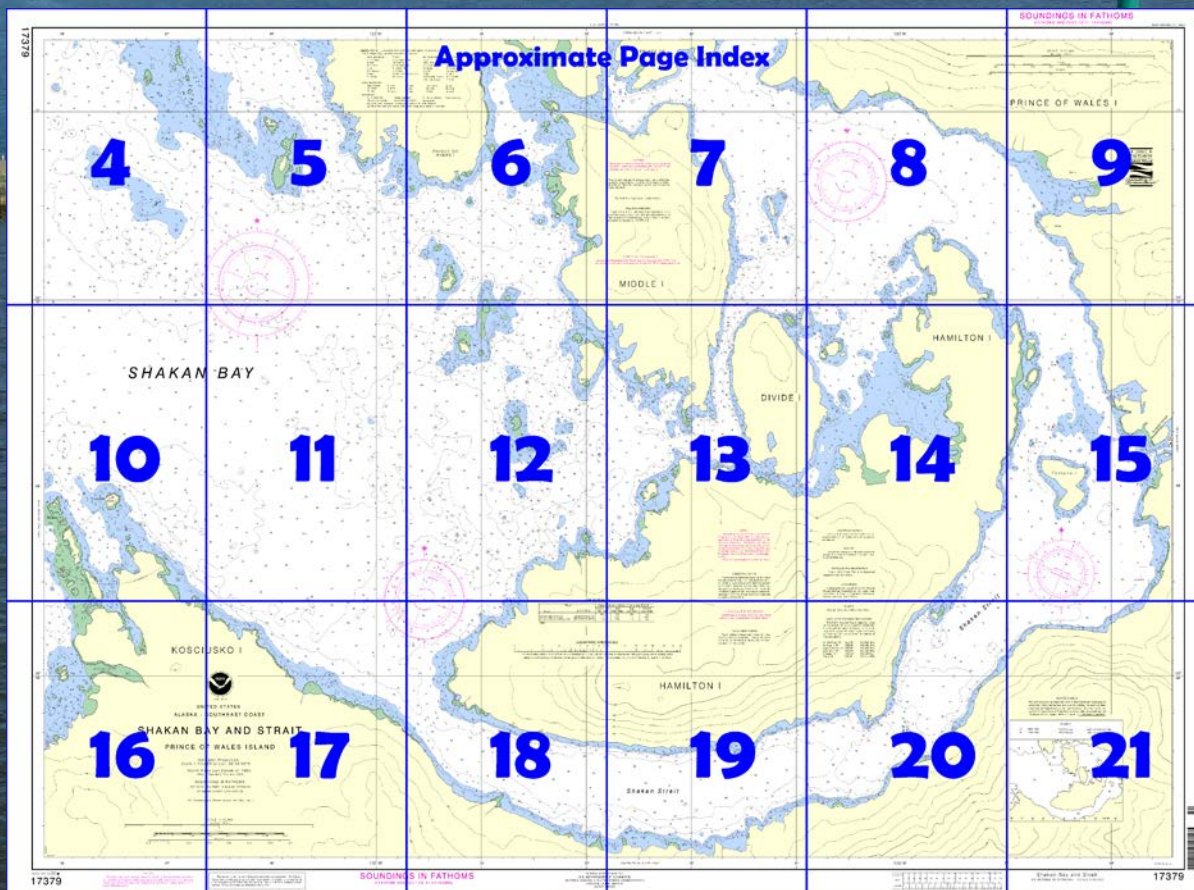


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This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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#### (Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)

**Ruins Point** (56°04.0'N., 133°42.0'W.), 8 miles NNE of Cape Pole (chart 17402), is on the S side of the entrance to Shipley Bay. The point is poorly defined and has no prominent features. **Finger Shoal** and other foul ground extend about 0.5 mile from the shore in the vicinity.

**Shipley Bay**, entered about 2 miles NE of Ruins Point, has good anchorage available at the head. **Bluff Island** is in the middle of the entrance. The vertical E face is a

rookery for sea birds; the W side has gradual slopes. Islets and rocks extend about 0.4 mile from the W extremity of the island.

The S approach to Shipley Bay extends between the S tip of Bluff Island and a tiny islet 0.5 mile N of the S shore. The area between the islet and the S shore is mostly foul, and passage should not be attempted except by small craft with local knowledge. A rock awash at minus tides is 1 mile SE of the S tip of Bluff Island; navigable water extends on all sides of this rock that is surrounded by thick kelp and is easily distinguishable at all stages of tide during summer. From a small wooded islet on the N side of the entrance, foul ground extends for about 0.7 mile SE. This constricts the passage to a width of only about 0.5 mile along the S shore. E of this point, however, the bay is generally clear, although the depths are irregular and there are several rocks off the S shore.

About 4 miles from the entrance, the bay is constricted by a promontory jutting out from the S shore. A small wooded islet surrounded by foul ground is off the point. W of the point is a large bight in which are two islands. Anchorage in 3 to 10 fathoms is available in the bight W of the islands; poor holding ground. Winds are reported to draw with great force through the gap to the S during SE storms.

**Shakan Bay** is on the E side of Sumner Strait about 6 miles NNE of Ruins Point. The bay, including Shakan Strait, is circular in shape. Its entrance is between Shakan Island on the S and the Barrier Islands on the N. The center of the bay is almost filled with islands. At the E extremity of Shakan Strait, the bay connects with El Capitan Passage.

The N shore of the bay is foul for about 1.5 miles offshore and should be avoided. The E part of the outer bay is extremely foul.

**The Nipples**, 1 mile SE of Shakan Strait, and Mount Calder, N of the bay and 2 miles NE of Barrier Islands, are good landmarks for the bay.

**Station Island**, off the S point at the entrance, is marked by **Shakan Bay Light** (56°08'57"N., 133°37'33"W.), 25 feet above the water and shown from a small house with a red and white diamond-shaped daymark on a brown skeleton tower on the N side of the island. There are submerged rocks and rocks awash between Station Island and Shakan Island.

**Shakan Island**, 0.3 mile W of Station Island, is about 18 feet high and is covered by scrubby trees. A rock awash and a 3-fathom shoal are about 0.2 mile and 1.2 miles, NNW and SW, respectively, of Shakan Island. The area S of the islet and E of the 3-fathom shoal has several detached rocks, all marked by kelp, and other dangers. The chart is the best guide.

**Shakan Strait**, comprising the S part of Shakan Bay, is about 4.6 miles long, averages 0.4 mile in width, and is semicircular in shape. It affords a clear and safe route to El Capitan Passage. The W entrance, marked by a daybeacon on an islet off the SW end of Hamilton Island, is 0.3 mile wide, but between the 5-fathom curves is constricted to about half that, by reefs on both sides. About midway of its length is a 5¼-fathom rocky shoal in midchannel, marked by a buoy, about 0.2 mile E of the daybeacon marking the SE end of Hamilton Island. Off-lying dangers are few, and none is more than 200 yards offshore. A log storage area is along the E shore, 0.5 mile S of the entrance to El Capitan Passage.

**Calder Bay** is on the N side of Shakan Bay N of Middle Island. Depths shoal gradually from about 9 fathoms at its entrance to the tidal flat about 0.6 mile from the entrance.

**Barrier Islands**, on the N side at the entrance to Shakan Bay, are two islands with numerous rocks and islets around and between them. A reef extends about 0.7 mile S from the S point of the W island. A rock with 2½ fathoms over it, about 0.7 mile W from that point, is marked on the W side by a lighted bell buoy.

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## Lateral System As Seen Entering From Seaward

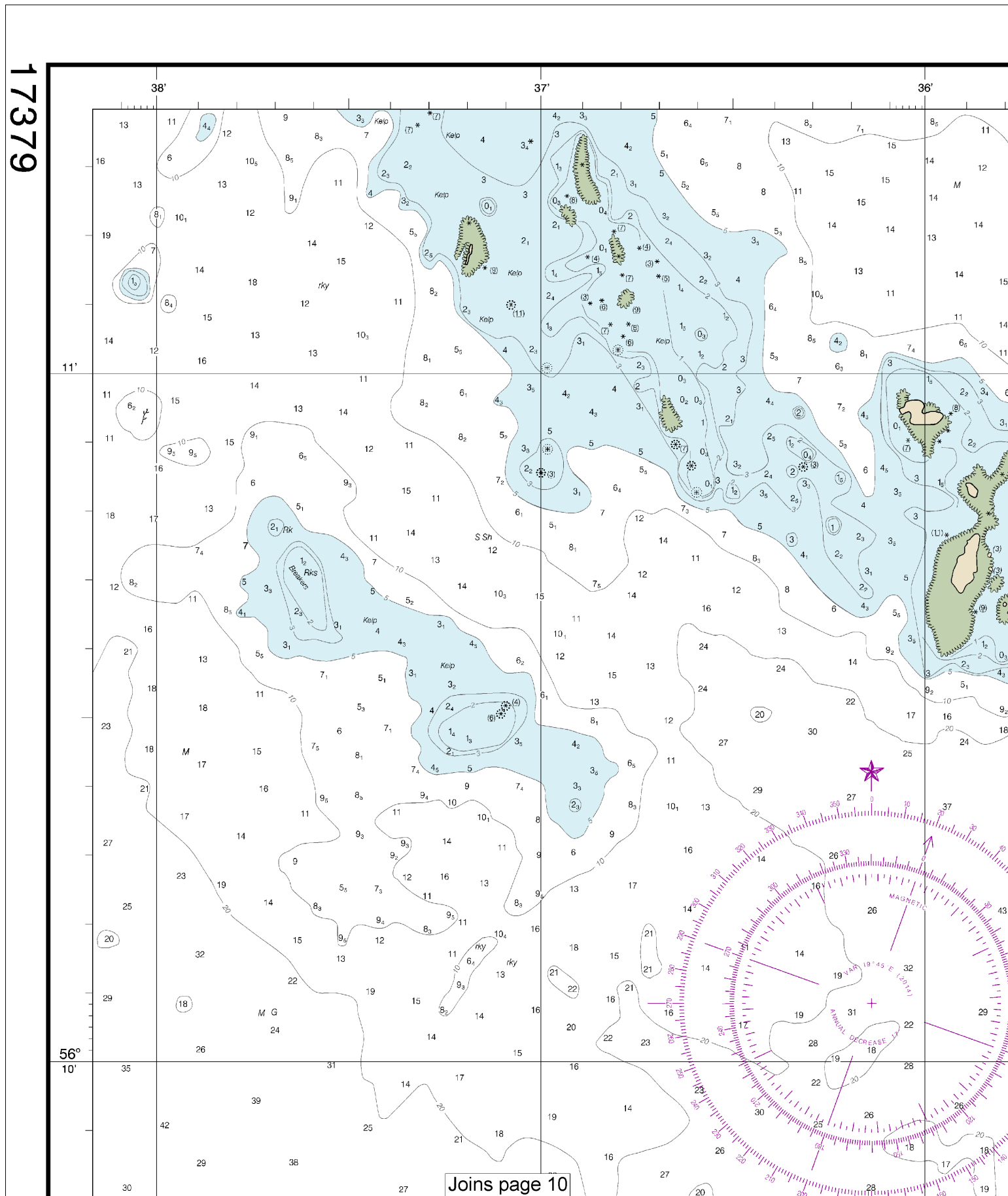
on navigable waters except Western Rivers



For more information on aids to navigation, including those on Western Rivers, please consult the latest USCG Light List for your area.

These volumes are available online at <http://www.navcen.uscg.gov>

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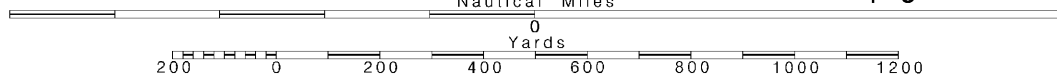
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Bn beacon	LT LHO lighthouse	OC occulting	SEC sector
C can	M nautical mile	OR orange	St M statute miles
DIA diaphone	m minutes	Q quick	VQ very quick
F fixed	MICRO TR microwave tower	R red	W white
Fl flashing	Mkr marker	Ra Ref radar reflector	WH'S whistle
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Bottom characteristics:

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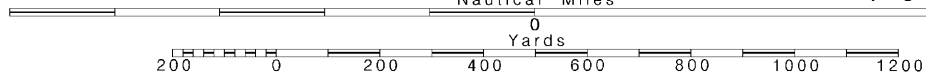
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Calder Bay

**WARNING**  
The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

The contour lines are hill shapes, sketched to afford the navigator a generalized indication of the character of the land forms. They should not be relied upon as lines of equal elevation.

The land area is generally heavily wooded

#### POLLUTION REPORTS

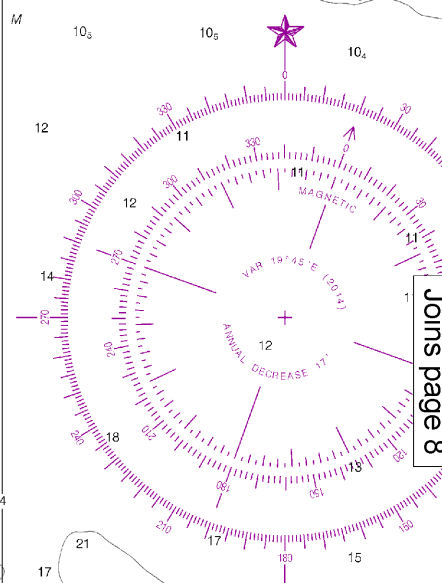
Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

COLREGS, 80.1705 (see note A)

National Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. The area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line.

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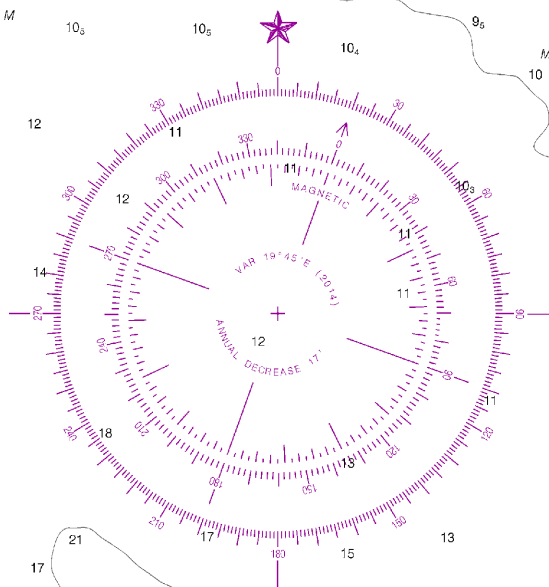
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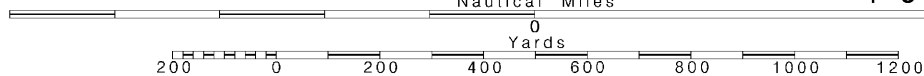
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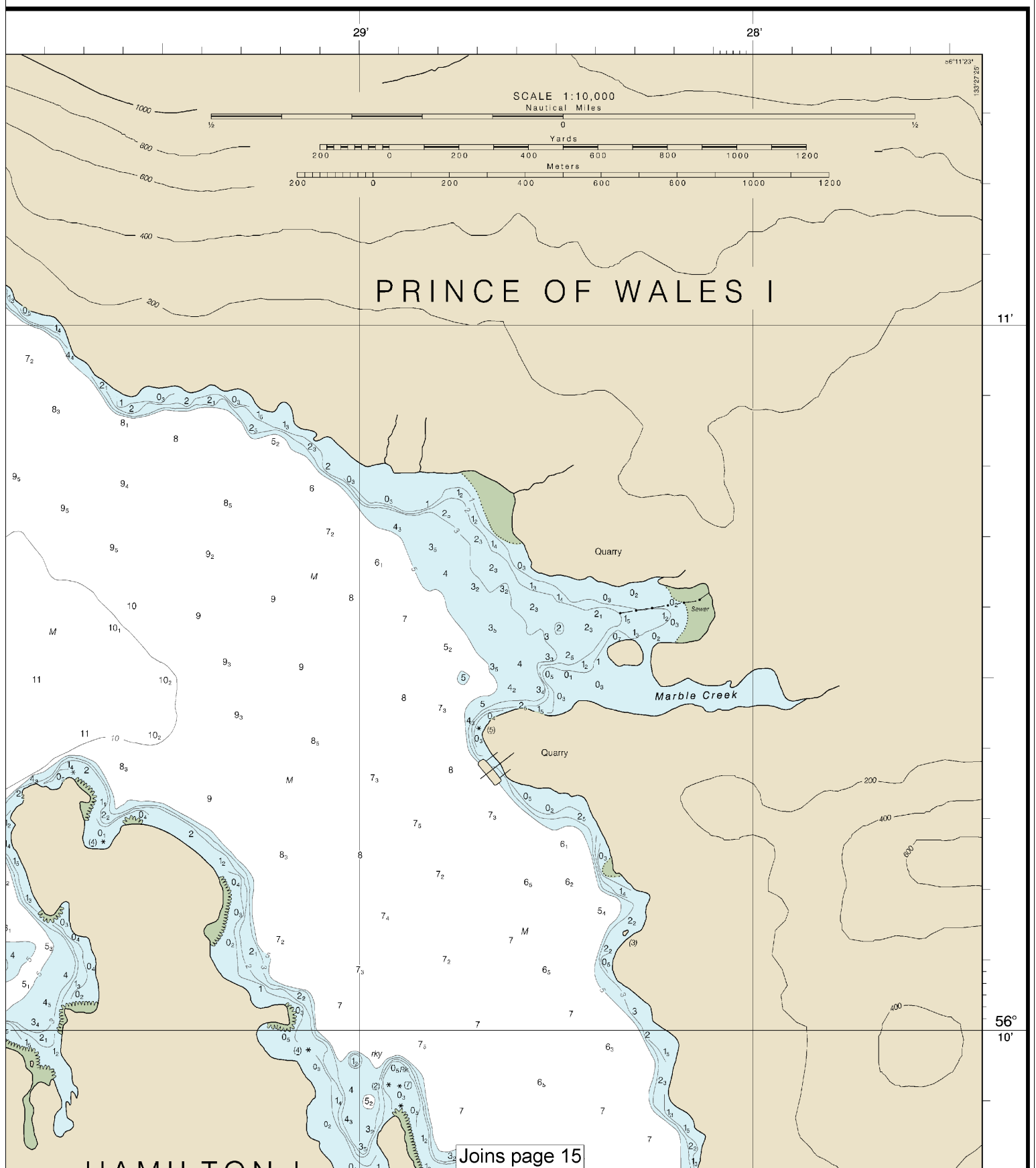
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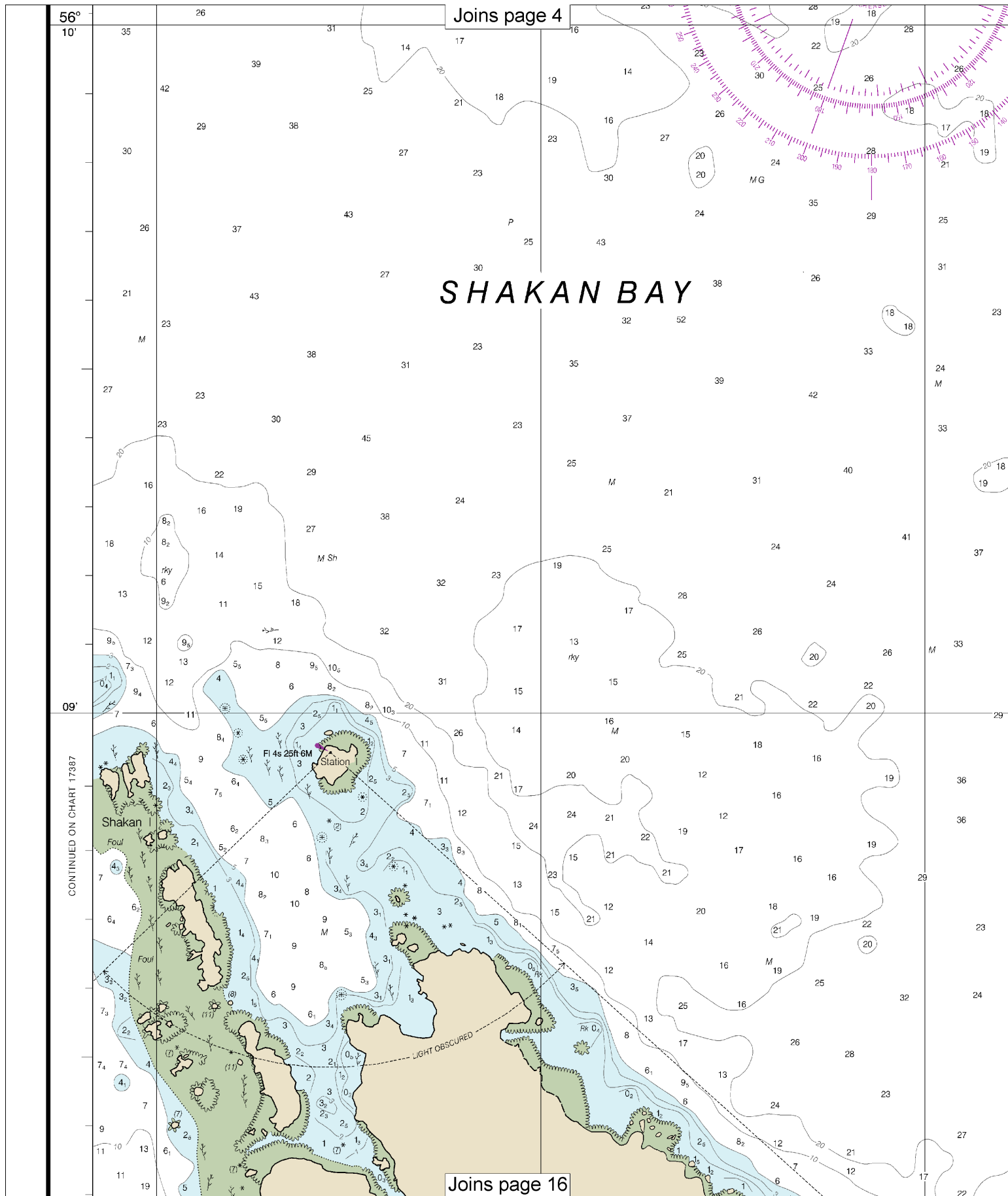




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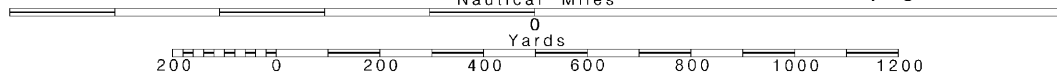
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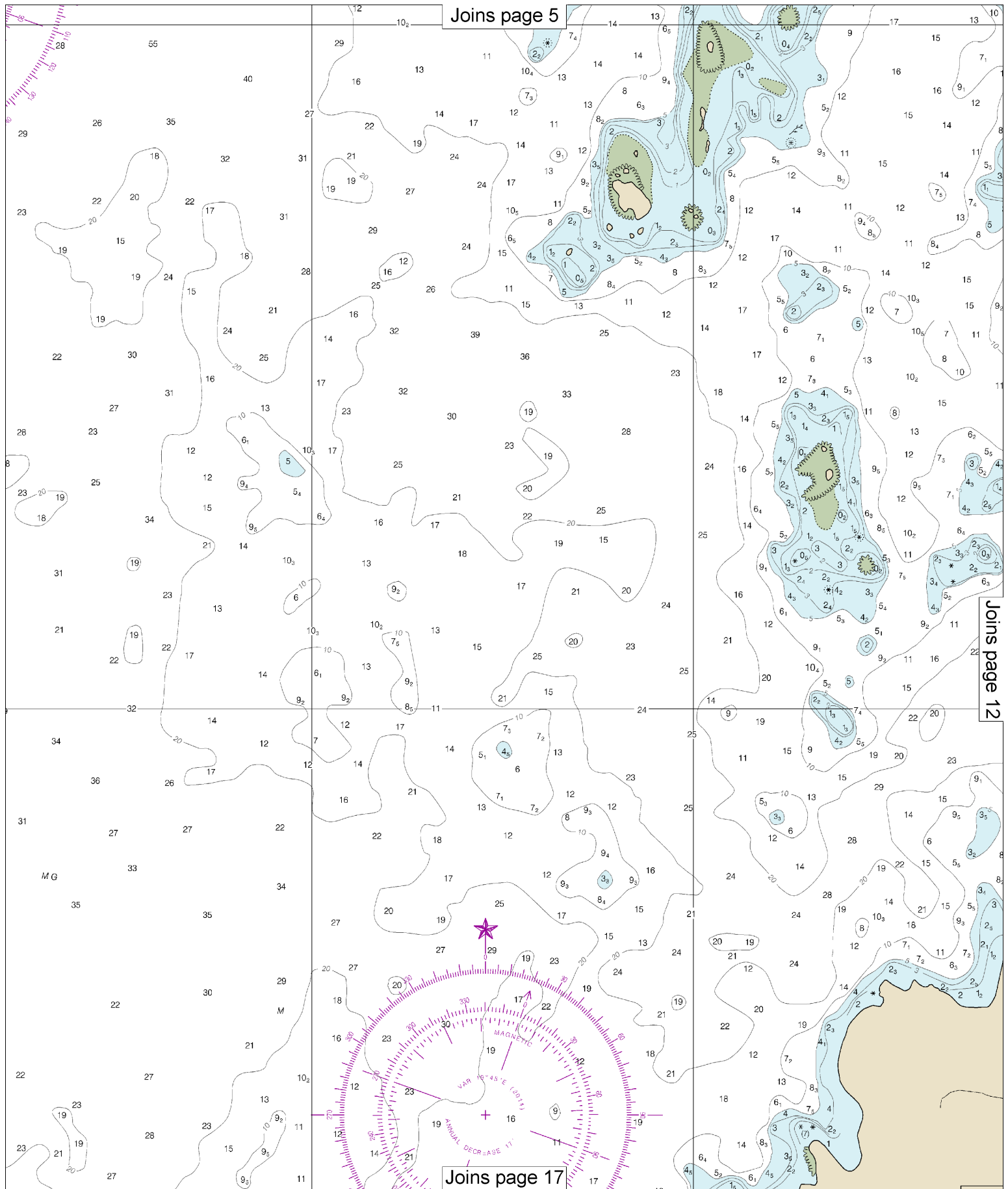
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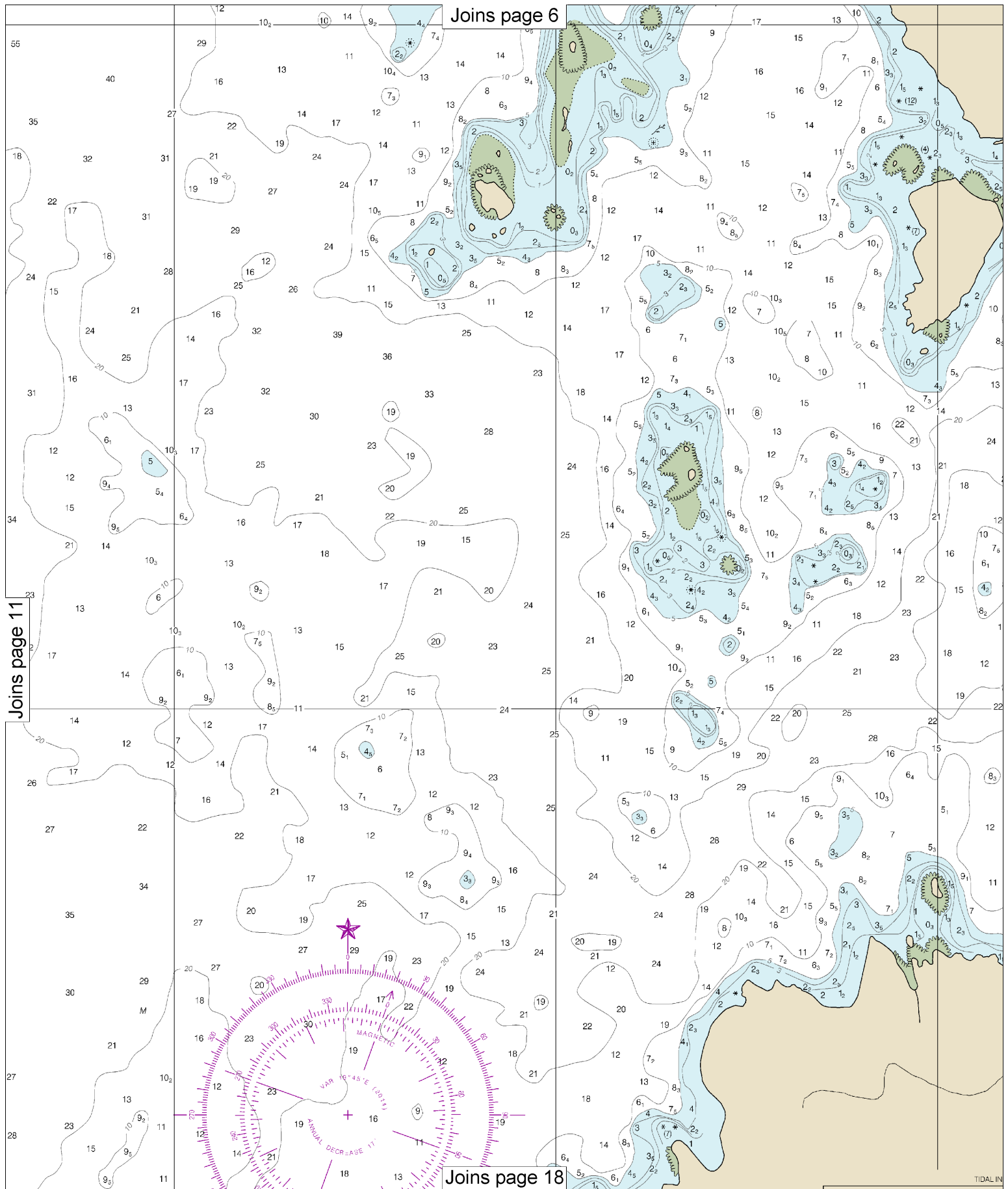
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# DIVIDE I

## NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 8. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 17th Coast Guard District in Juneau, Alaska, or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Anchorage, Alaska.

Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

## HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 1.317" southward and 6.234" westward to agree with this chart.

## LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE

in the normal Alaskan Strait

## AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

## CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 8 for important supplemental information.

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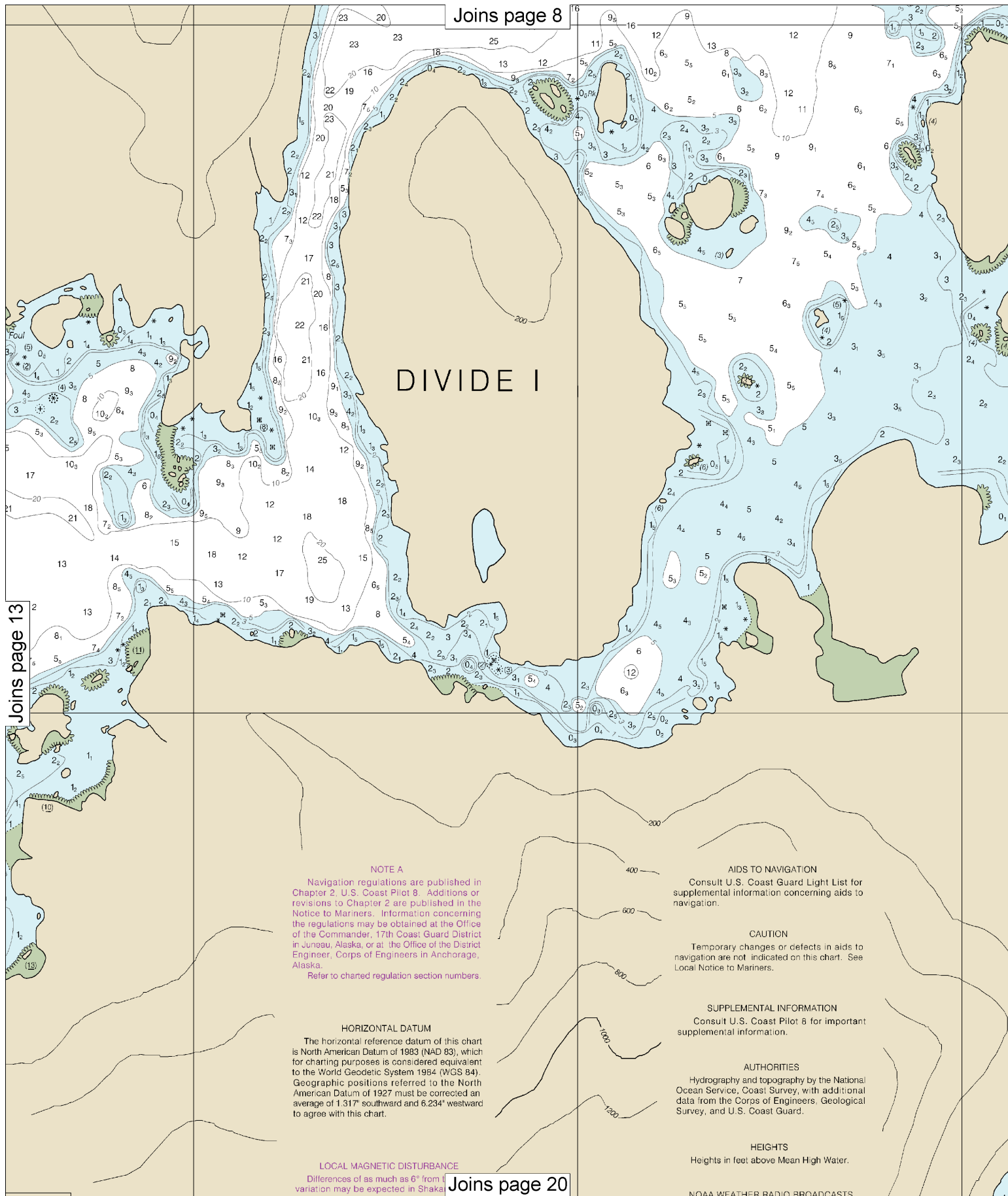
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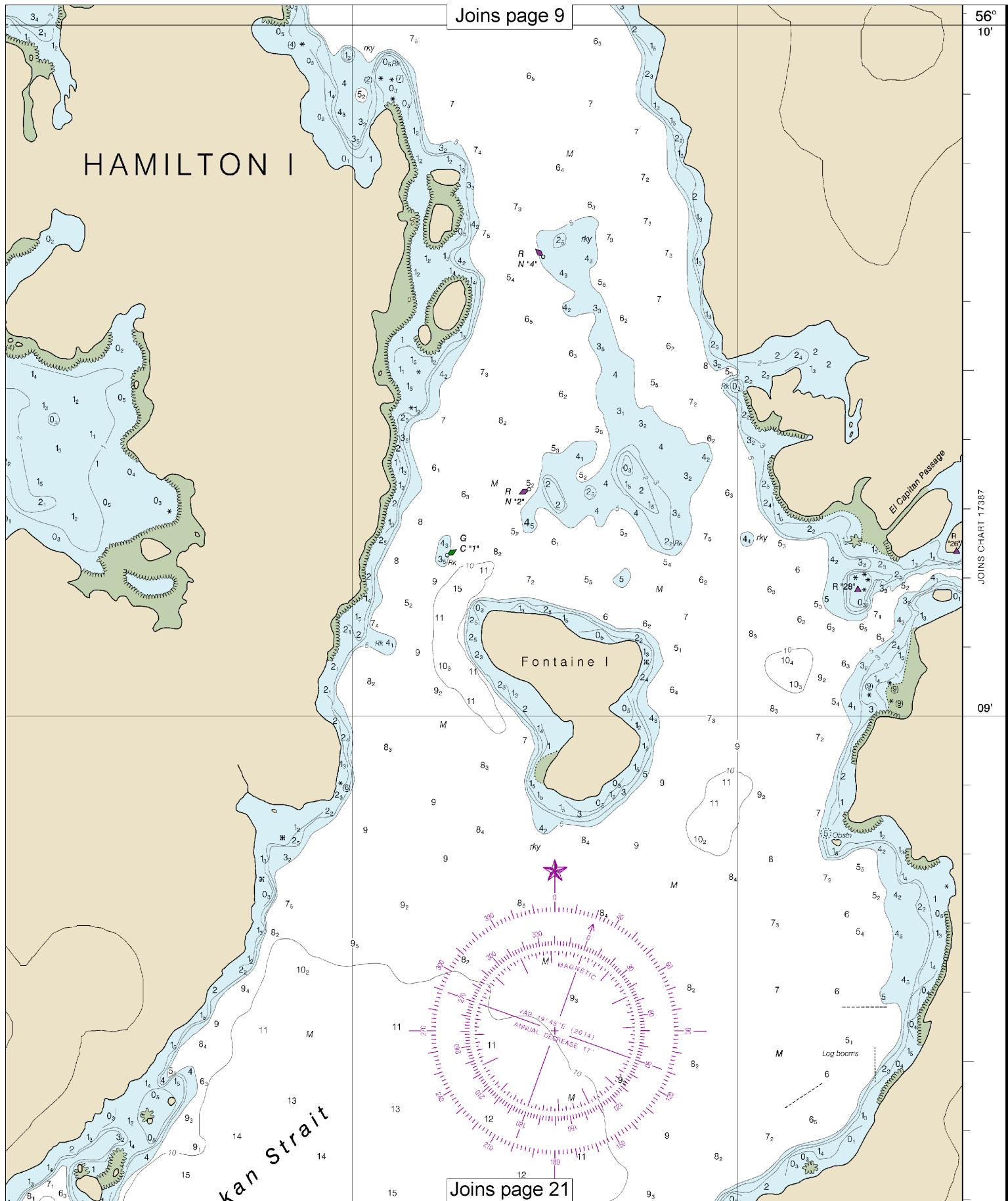
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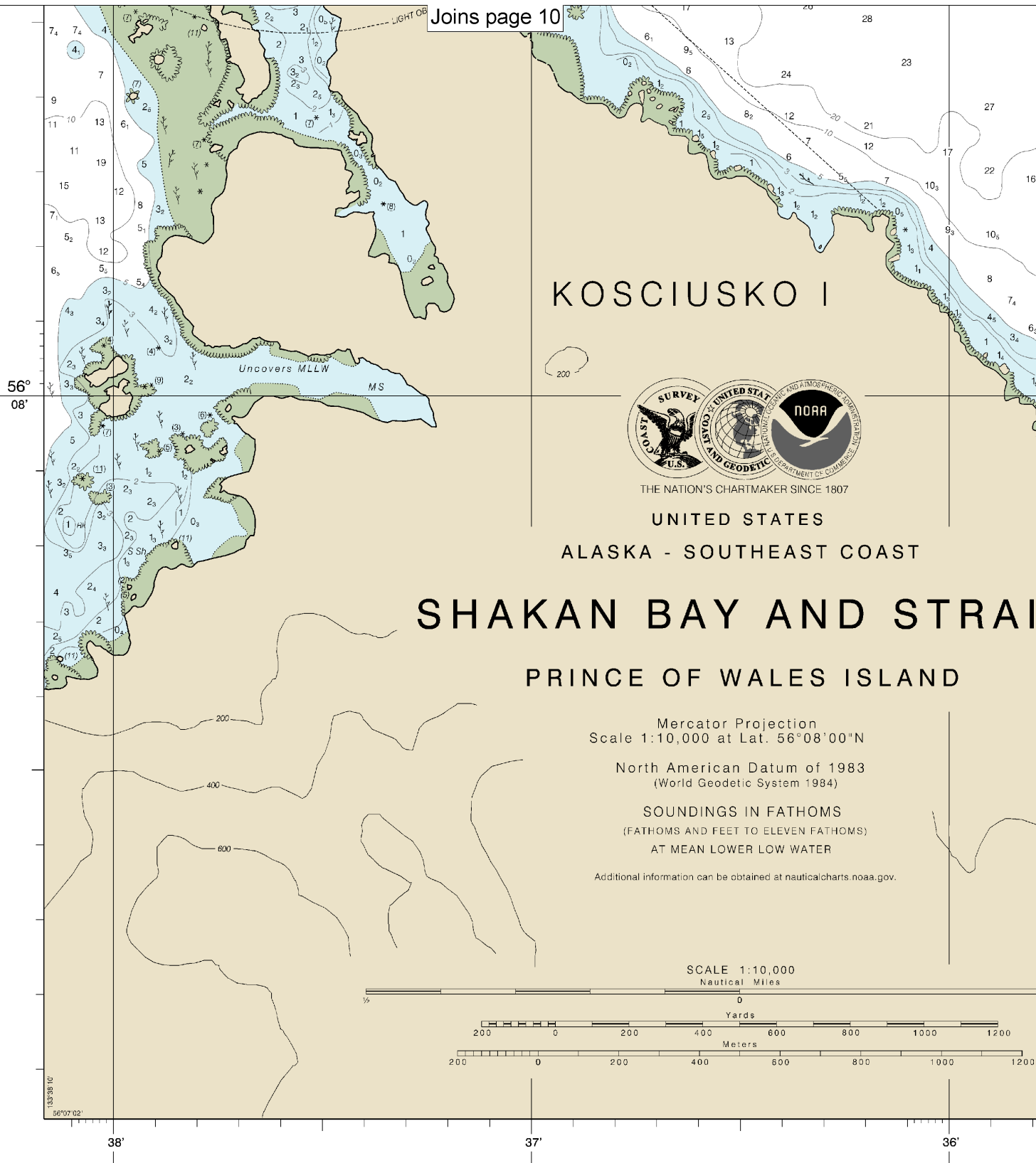
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CAUTION

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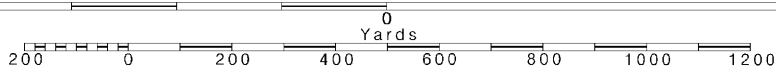
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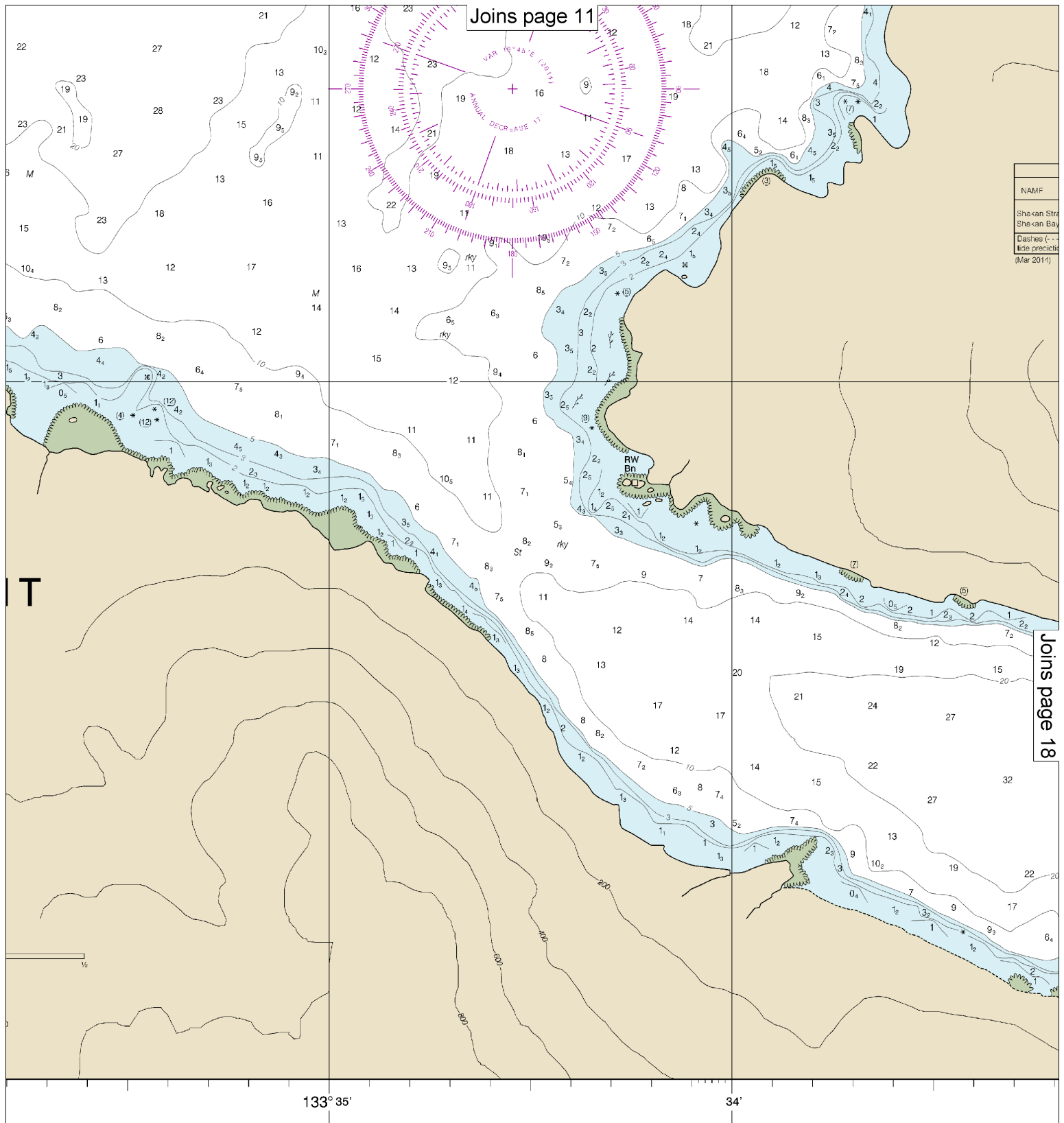
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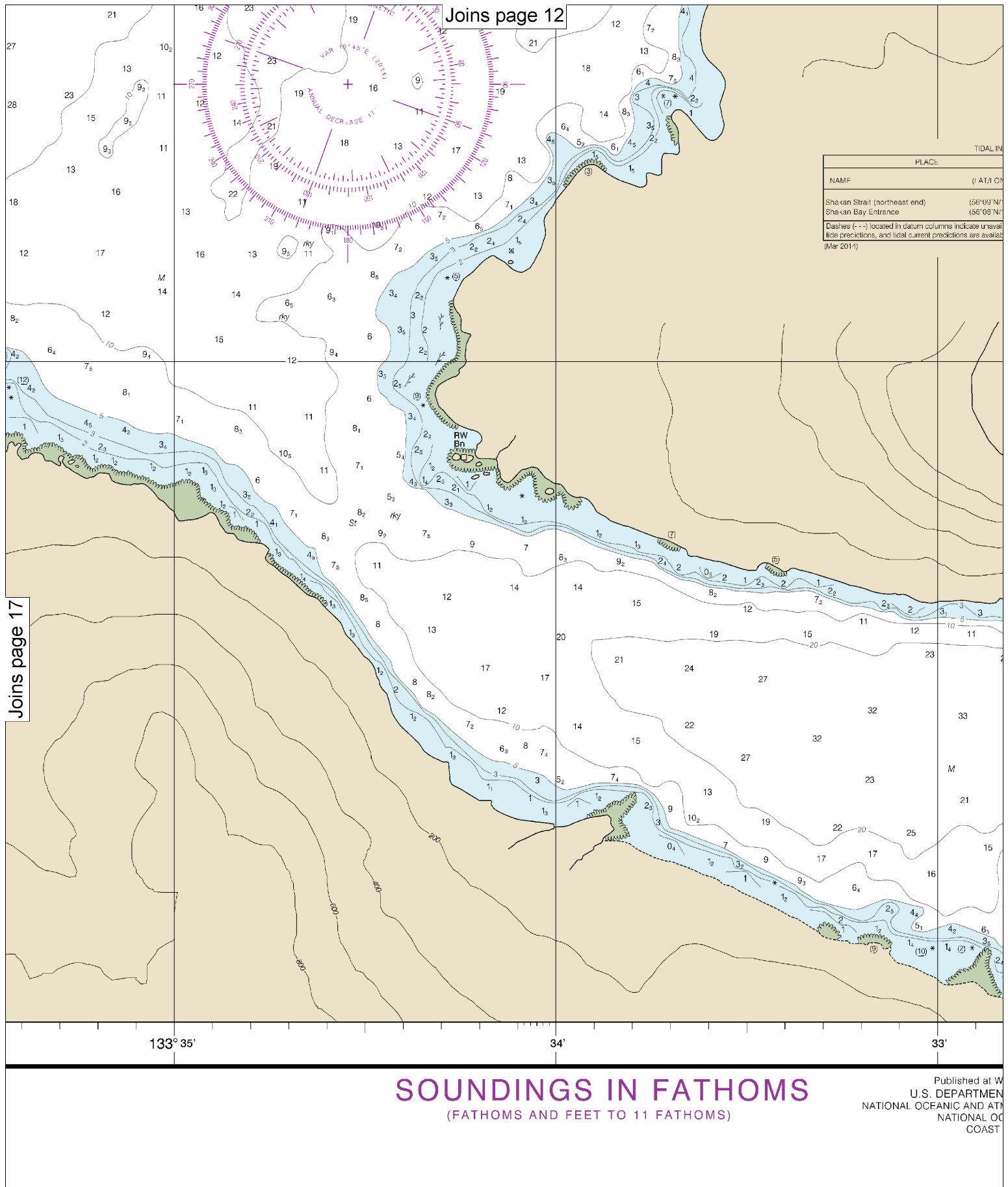
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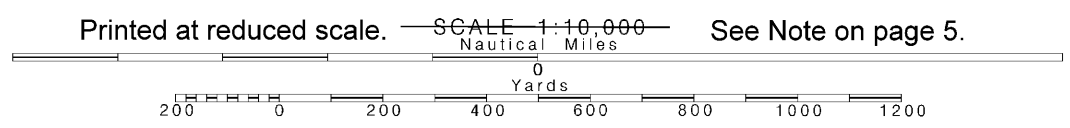
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#### NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed  
 below provide continuous weather broadcasts.  
 The reception range is typically 20 to 40  
 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be  
 as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at  
 high elevations.

Mt. McArthur, AK	KZZ-95	162.525 MHz
Sukwan I., AK	KZZ-89	162.425 MHz
Cape Fanshaw, AK	KZZ-88	162.425 MHz
Zarembo I., AK	KZZ-91	162.450 MHz
Wrangell, AK	WXJ-83	162.400 MHz
Craig, AK	KXI-80	162.475 MHz

#### INFORMATION

DNG)	Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)		
	Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water
N 133° 28' W	feet 11.7	feet 10.9	feet 1.4
N 133° 37' W	feet 11.7	feet 10.9	feet 1.4

Available datum values for a tide station. Real-time water levels,  
 available on the internet from <http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov>.

**LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE**  
 Differences of as much as 6° from the normal  
 variation may be expected in Shakan Strait

**RADAR REFLECTORS**  
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## Shakan Strait

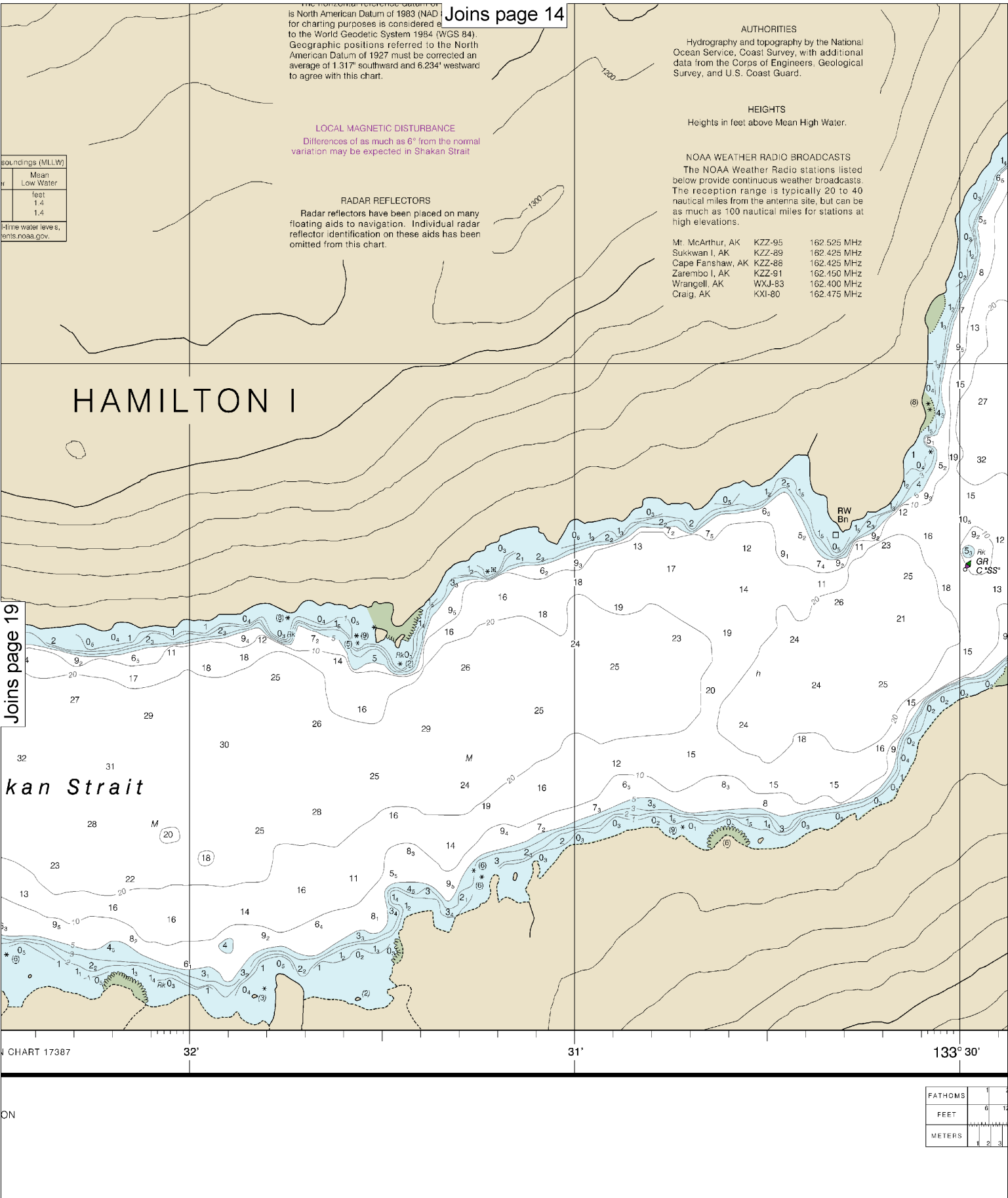
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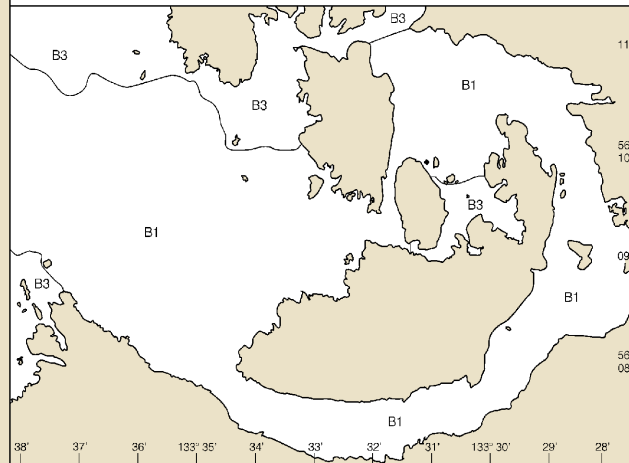
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SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

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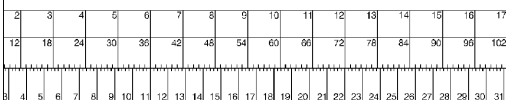
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## VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

**Channel 6** – Inter-ship safety communications.

**Channel 9** – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

**Channel 13** – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

**Channel 16** – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

**Channel 22A** – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

**Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A** – Recreational boat channels.

**Getting and Giving Help** — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

## Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds — If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

**HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!**



**NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards (NWR)** is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information directly from the nearest National Weather Service office. NWR broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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